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Subject: assistance to Region 2 initial deployment 10/9- 10/23 and planning for future deployments. - NEED TO KNOW YOUR AVAILABILITY

All – in response to Hurricanes Irma and Maria, Region 2 is setting up 3 branches in Puerto Rico. Regions 1 -5 will be responsible for staffing the IMT and the North Shore Branch; Regions 6 & 7 have been asked to staff the South branch (city of Ponce) and Region 8, 9, and 10 will staff the East branch.

Currently there are no hotels available in the Ponce area. Region 2 has currently loaded 2 requests into the Personnel Resource Log (PRL) (former asset tracker) for staffing in the South branch. One of these positions is a Safety Officer the other is for a person to coordinate the Community Involvement. Region 7 intends to send an OSC to coordinate the initial Community Involvement function due to the medical requirements for deployment. The future work for the branch is haz-reconnaissance and will require OSCs. Although there are only 2 positions requested at this time, we need to know your availability to deploy to Ponce beginning 10/9 thru the end of the calendar year. Additionally, we need to know if you have received the Hepatitis A, B and Typhoid vaccines and if you are current on your Tetanus (within 5-10 years).

The following are requirements to be met for deployments for field work:

The MEDICAL requirements for deployment include:

- Full Emergency/Response Physical w/ Respirator Clearance
- Hepatitis A, B, Typhoid** and Current Tetanus (within 5-10 years) Vaccination or a signed Declination Form

**Federal Occupational Health/CDC added the need for the Typhoid Vaccination on 9/28/17 for work in Puerto Rico and USVI.

The Health and Safety Training Requirements for the deployments is 40 Hour Hazwoper training with current 8 hour Refresher.

Personal Protection Equipment required for deployment include field boots, hard hat, safety glasses, Hi-Vis Vest, Hearing Protection, and APR.

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